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The Introductory Sermon was preached according to appointment by Rev. J. R. Kendrick, from Acts 9, 6: *Lord what wilt thou have me to do;* and Mark 14, 8: *She hath done what she could.*

The credentials of delegates were called for, and their names enrolled, as follows:

Charleston Association.—J. Tupper,* M. T. Mendenhall, J. H. Cuthbert,* J. R. Kendrick, J. P. Boyce, W. B. Whilden, S. Furman,* J. Boykin,* N. Graham,* W. C. Richards,* C. M. Breaker,* G. Parks,* B. C. Pressley,* H. W. Mahoney.*

Savannah River Association.

Edgefield Association.—W. B. Johnson, Z. Watkins, J. M. Chiles,* H. A. Tupper,* D. D. Brunson,* W. P. Hill,* A. Waller,* B. F. Corley,* G. Kershaw,* J. S. Shadrach,* J. H. Wideman,* John Tompkins,* J. Lipscomb,* E. Watson,* J. Trapp,* S. P. Getzen,* J. Heriot,* J. W. Coleman.*

Welsh Neck Association.—R. Furman, J. Culpeper, J. O. B. Dargan, J. M. Timmons, J. W. Brown, W. Q. Beattie, J. A. W. Thomas, R. Napier, T. P. Lide, R. G. Edwards, I. D. Wilson, A. E. McIver, A. Sparks, S. H. Pressley.

Salem Association.—J. C. Furman, L. C. Hinton.

Tyger River Association.—S. J. Mims,* P. C. Edwards, C. J. Elford,* T. T. Hopkins, R. Webb, S. Gibson,* J. G. Landrum,* J. J. Boyd,* T. P. Brockman,* H. J. Dean,* G. F. Townes.*

Moriah Association.

Reedy River Association.—B. F. Griffin,* N. Whitmore,* T. Robertson,* W. B. Boyd,* H. W. Paslay.

Saluda Association.

Charleston Female Missionary and Education Society.—J. R. Kendrick, B. C. Pressley,* M. T. Mendenhall.

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* Absent.

Anderson District Missionary Society.

Broad River Society in aid of the Spread of the Gospel.

1. The following officers were elected: W. B. Johnson, President; J. R. Kendrick, Vice President; J. C. Furman, Secretary.

2. It was *Resolved*, That during this meeting of the Convention, the sessions shall begin at 10 o'clock, and close at 3.

3. Messengers from corresponding bodies were called for, and Rev. W. C. Buck, Corresponding Secretary of the Bible Board established at Nashville, and Rev. J. J. James, from the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, responded, and were welcomed to a seat. Other ministering brethren present were also invited to a seat.

4. The Constitution and the Rules of Order were read.

5. The following committees were appointed by the President: *On the time and place of next meeting, and the persons to preach:* J. Culpeper, W. B. Whilden, J. C. Furman, T. T. Hopkins, H. W. Paslay, J. P. Boyce, R. Webb. *On the nomination of a Board of Agents:* Z. Watkins, J. P. Boyce, R. Napier, T. T. Hopkins, M. T. Mendenhall. *On Communications from Corresponding Bodies:* J. R. Kendrick, P. C. Edwards, J. O. B. Dargan, A. E. McIver, J. D. Wilson. *On Accounts:* T. P. Lide, R. G. Edwards, A. Sparks, S. H. Pressley, with the Treasurer. *On Preaching:* the Pastor and Deacons of Welsh Neck Church, with T. P. Lide and H. W. Paslay. *On preparation of a List of the names of Baptist Ministers in the State, and their Post Offices:* J. O. B. Dargan, Z. Watkins, A. E. McIver, T. T. Hopkins, R. Webb.

6. On motion, it was *Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed to enquire into the expediency and practicability of enlarging the sphere of the Convention's operations. The following brethren were appointed the committee: J. Culpeper, J. R. Kendrick, P. C. Edwards, H. W. Paslay, W. B. Johnson.

7. J. R. Kendrick was appointed to write to the Georgia Convention; J. R. Kendrick, M. T. Mendenhall, J. P. Boyce, J. Tupper, J. H. Cuthbert, B. C. Pressley, G. Parks, Messengers; T. T. Hopkins to write to the North Carolina Convention; L. C. Hinton, J. Culpeper, Messengers.

8. Dr. Paslay, as agent for the sale of the property at the former site of the Institution, &c., submitted a report, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed. It was further ordered, that the Agent be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the payment of expenses.

9. On motion, it was *Resolved*, That on Monday, at eleven o'clock, an opportunity be afforded for presenting the claims of Furman University; and that the arrangements for hearing other agents, who are present, be committed to the Committee on Preaching.

10. On motion of the Secretary, (who had been appointed to deliver the Charity Sermon,) the Rev. W. B. Whilden, Missionary to China, was requested to perform that service.

After prayer by bro. Buck, the Convention adjourned.

Lord's Day.—The Rev. W. C. Buck preached in the morning, and was followed by Rev. W. B. Whilden, who preached the Charity Sermon. In

the afternoon, the members of the Convention partook of the Communion of the Lord's Supper along with the Welsh Neck Church. Rev. Dr. Johnson and Rev. J. J. James administering it. At night the Rev. J. R. Kendrick preached. After the sermon, a Deacon elect of the Welsh Neck Church was publicly set apart with usual solemnities.

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11. The Convention met, and after singing, and prayer by Rev. R. Furman, the roll was called, and the minutes of Saturday were read.

12. The Committee on the nomination of a Board of Agents, reported the following names: W. B. Johnson, J. R. Kendrick, J. C. Furman, M. T. Mendenhall, J. S. Mims, R. Furman.

13. The Committee on Communications of Corresponding Bodies reported, that no such communications had come into their hands. Report accepted.

14. The Treasurer submitted his report, which was committed to the Committee on Accounts.

15. The Committee on the time and place of the next meeting, submitted a report, which, after some discussion, was laid on the table, the time having come for presenting the subject of the Furman University.

16. The Board of Trustees of the Furman University submitted a report of a meeting held by them in Greenville, in June last. Whereupon it was *Resolved*, That this Convention accept the charter passed by the Legislature of South Carolina, at its session of 1850; and that the proceedings of the Board of Trustees be concurred in.

17. Addresses were then made by the Secretary, and by Rev. J. Culpeper, Rev. Dr. Johnson, Rev. Prof. Edwards, Rev. W. C. Buck, and Rev. J. J. James; and an amount was subscribed conditionally, so as to complete the amount of seventy thousand dollars. The condition of the subscription being, that the subscribers guarantee the payments of their respective bonds, in case the amount thus provided for shall fail to be raised by the Agents of the Convention. The names of the individuals who thus pledged themselves, and the amounts guarantied by them, are as follows: W. B. Johnson, $1,000; P. C. Edwards, $1,000; H. W. Paslay, $1,000; J. P. Boyce, $1,000; R. G. Edwards, $1,000; *Z.* Watkins, $1,000; J. C. Furman, $1,000; L. C. Hinton, $1,000; M. T. Mendenhall, $1,000; A. E. McIver, J. O. B. Dargan, $1,000; J. R. Kendrick, $1,000; J. M. Timmons, T. P. Lide, and T. T. Hopkins, $4,000.

18. Ordered the collection made on Sunday to be distributed as it was last year.

After prayer by bro. Buck, the Convention adjourned.

Tuesday.

Convention met. Prayer by Dr. Paslay.

19. The committee on the enlargement of the sphere of the Convention submitted a report, which was taken up and considered article by article, and then was laid upon the table for future action.

20. The report of the committee on the time and place of next meeting, &c., was taken up, and after an amendment as to the time specified, was adopted, as follows:

The committee on the time and place of the next meeting of the Convention, and persons to preach, would recommend that the next meeting be held with the Bush River Church, Newberry District, on Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in April; that brother J. P. Boyce preach the introductory sermon, in case of failure brother J. O. B. Dargan; that brother J. C. Furman preach the charity sermon, in case of failure brother T. T. Hopkins.

Statement of my Agency relative to the sale of the Furman Institute Lands.

The whole amount of sales, including 4¼ acres to John R. Shirly, which is included in his deed,		$5,383 00
C. Felder's bond for	$2,520 00	
J. R. Shirly's bond for	2,322 90	
Cash received,	540 10	
		5,383 00

EXPENSES.

J. B. M'Cant's receipt for drawing deeds and mortgages for said lands,	$ 10 00
Clerk's receipt for recording mortgages,	3 25
Auctioneer's receipt for crying said lands,	5 00
Ravenel's receipt for surveying, and three plats,	7 00
Two blank deeds,	20
Paid taxes for said lands,	1 50
Col. Smith's receipt for hauling Prof. Edwards' furniture to his house, and his family to Monticello,	12 00
Paid Col. Smith for hauling Library to the Railroad,	25 00
Paid E. Paslay for hauling two loads to Greenville,	68 00
Britton's receipt for advertising said lands,	13 20
Bowman's receipt for advertising do.,	3 00
Receipt for hauling Library, and Railroad expenses,	40 00
Paid Prof. Edwards' expenses for moving him and family,	44 50
Hudgins' receipt for four loads to Greenville,	156 00
	$ 388 65
One load yet to pay for,	40 00
Expenses of H. W. Paslay on removal,	23 00
Commissions for selling the lands,	53 00
	$504 65

H. W. PASLAY, *Agent.*

Received, November 15th, 1851, of M. T. Mendenhall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of South Carolina, five hundred and four 65-100 dollars, in full of the within account, ordered to be paid by the Convention.

$504 65 H. W. PASLAY, *Agent.*

21. It was ordered that some additional expenses incident to the removal of the Professors, not embraced in the report of Dr. Paslay, the agent of sale of land and removal of Professors, be paid.

22. The letter to the Georgia Convention was read and approved.

23. The printing and distribution of the Minutes was committed to the Treasurer.

24. The President was requested to prepare an abstract of the condition of the Associations in the State, to be printed in the Minutes.

25. The following brethren were chosen a Board of Trustees of the Furman Theological Institution, viz.: W. B. Johnson, J. S. Mims, T. P. Lide, J. C. Furman, J. O. B. Dargan, A. J. Lawton, J. A. Lawton, S. Furman, Z. Watkins, M. T. Mendenhall, A. Rice, J. B. O'Neall, J. Culpeper, W. Brooker, R. Furman, T. Curtis, H. D. Duncan, J. R. Kendrick, W. P. Hill, H. A. Duncan, J. Nichols, T. Adams, J. L. Brookes, R. G. Edwards, H. W. Paslay, T. T. Hopkins.

26. The letter to the North Carolina Convention was read and approved.

27. On motion, it was *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the transfer of the bonds taken for the Furman University, and to report at the meeting of the Convention in April. J. D. Wilson, M. T. Mendenhall, and J. Tupper, were appointed to constitute this committee.

Adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock this evening. Prayer by bro. Nichols.

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7 o'clock.

28. The Convention met—and received the report of the Committee on Accounts. The committee reported that they had examined the Treasurer's Account, and found it correctly cast, and well vouched. The report was concurred in, and was ordered to be printed.

29. On motion, it was *Resolved*, That measures be taken to collect the first instalment on the bonds for Furman University, and that the Board of Trustees of the University be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the funds to meet such expenditures as they shall deem necessary.

30. *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to consider and report upon the matter of agency. Brethren Lide, Mendenhall, and Watkins, were appointed.

31. The report on the enlargement of the sphere of the Convention's operations, was taken up, and adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the practicability and expediency of enlarging the sphere of the operations of this Convention, submit the following report:

It is apparent that there is something wanting to enlist the active co-operation of the constituent members of this Convention, and of the denomination in our State, in its objects and labors. The meagre attendance at the meetings of this body for several years, establishes this painful fact. It becomes, therefore, a question of deep concern, to enquire after the causes of this depressing indifference, and ascertain if anything can be done to remedy the evil, and attract to the Convention the sympathies and energies of the denomination. The narrow basis upon which the Convention now practically operates, appears to your committee the most obvious of the causes, since it has hitherto confined its attention almost exclusively to educational interests. However valuable and indispensable these may be, they take strong hold upon but a limited number of the members of our Churches. Experience has demonstrated that the benevolent enter-

prises of broader aims, and more general application, excite the deeper sympathies, and secure the more prompt and cordial co-operation of the christian masses. It appears to your committee of vital importance to the prosperity of our denomination in this State. that the Convention embrace such a wide range of objects, as will combine the energies and influence of its general minor associations in one commanding central organization. Thus only will it subserve its original purposes, in cultivating brotherly love and confidence, in disseminating the Gospel, and showing to ourselves and to the world what our Churches are actually accomplishing.

In order to secure these most desirable results, we recommend that the Convention become a more thoroughly Missionary body—that it be the organ for receiving, and transmitting to their proper destination, the funds which are now immediately disbursed by Associations and primary bodies —that it take charge of Missionary operations in this State, so far as circumstances may require; and that in the case of such Associations as now have Missionary operations within their bounds in successful progress, reports of their doings being made to the Convention, these reports shall be published in the Minutes of the Mission Board of the Convention—that it extend its fostering care to the Bible Cause, without abating its wanted zeal, or relaxing its exertions for Education. To this end, we propose that it be recommended to the State Education and Bible Societies to dissolve, in order to being absorbed into the Convention; and that boards be constituted to superintend and manage respectively, Home Missions, Bible, and Education interests. We also propose that the representation in this Convention be apportioned among its constituents, according to the following scale of pecuniary contributions: The contribution by any constituent of $20 annually, shall entitle it to two delegates; and to one delegate for each additional $20, to the number of eight; and one delegate for every additional $50. Individuals who may be members in good standing in Baptist Churches, and friendly to the objects of the Convention, may constitute themselves members of the same by contributing $10 annually; and life members, by the payment of $50 at one time. We further recommend, that the delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention be elected by this Convention, instead of the Associations, and other constituent bodies, as hitherto; said delegates to be taken from the constituent bodies, according to the number to which their contributions may respectively entitle them.

In order to carry into effect the foregoing propositions, the Committee submit, as proper, the following amendments to the Constitution:

Art. II. After the words "designed for the Gospel Ministry," insert the following clause—"To promote the spread of the Gospel by Missionary operations, Foreign and Domestic, and by the circulation of the sacred Scriptures at home and abroad."

Art. III. Strike out the sentence commencing "the number of delegates," and annex the following to the preceding sentence—"and of individuals of good moral character, friendly to the objects of the Convention, according to the following scale of pecuniary contributions," &c. (see above.)

Art. VII. Strike out all down to the sentence beginning "in electing the Board of Agents."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN CULPEPER, *Chairman.*

32. The Committee on Agency reported, recommending the appointment of Rev. J. Culpeper as Agent for the ensuing year, at the salary of $800, and $50 for travelling expenses. Report was concurred in, and bro. Culpeper requested time to make his answer.

33. Whereas, the Female Education and Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church in Charleston, a constituent member of this Convention, did, in aid of the Institution of learning established, and under the fostering care of this body, propose to raise and place under its control, a fund, the interest of which would be adequate to the support of a Beneficiary at said Institution; and whereas, said Society has, from time to time, paid over funds to the Convention, in amount about $3,000—the sum deemed necessary,—and a portion of said fund, invested by the Convention, has been lost, say $291 33.

Resolved, That as the Convention will have the means derived from the sales of the lands in Fairfield District, to make good the said Society's fund to the amount lost, and interest on the same until paid, that the Treasurer be ordered to pay over to said Society the amount now due, according to the showing made above.

Ordered further, that the balance of the money arising from the sale of the lands in Fairfield, be passed to the credit of the Permanent Fund, for the support of Professors in the Theological Institution.

34. The following Preamble and Resolution were offered and adopted: Whereas, it is ascertained that a tract of land, adjoining the site of the University, has been offered to the Building Committee at the same price with that given for the site: *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this body that it is inexpedient to make such a purchase; and that inasmuch as the Building Committee have commenced a building for the Preparatory Department on said land, that it is the sense of this body that the erection of this building be discontinued, unless the title to said land should be made to the Convention, as it has been intimated it may be done, by the liberality of friends deeply interested in the enterprize: otherwise, the building to be erected on land, the title to which is held by this Convention.

35. *Resolved*, That when we finally adjourn, we adjourn to meet at Bush River Church, on Saturday before the 4th Lord's Day in April, 1852.

36. Rev. J. Culpeper signified his consent to take the agency.

37. A unanimous vote of thanks was passed for the christian hospitality extended to the members of the Convention, by the brethren and friends at Society Hill. After prayer by J. Culpeper, the Convention adjourned.

W. B. JOHNSON, *President.*

J. C. FURMAN, *Secretary.*

State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina, in account with M. T. MENDENHALL, *Treasurer.*

1851.	DR.			
Jan'ry. 28,	To paid J. M. Springer on account of Female Missionary and Education Society,			$ 62 50
Feb'ry. 20,	To paid Rev. J. Culpeper on acc't. of salary for 1850,			100 00
May 2,	To this amount paid Foreign Mission Board for Foreign Missions,	$307 86		
	for African Missions,	10 20		
	for Bible Cause,	30 36		
" "	To this amount paid Domestic Mission Board for Domestic Missions,	8 67		
" 28,	To paid Rev. Jas. L. Mims his note and interest to W. R. Robertson,	128 65		
" 30,	To paid A. J. Burke for printing Minutes of Convention,	35 50		
				521 24
June 12,	To paid Rev. Jas. L. Mims on account salary 1851 in Black Creek,	100 50		
" "	To paid Rev. P. C. Edwards on account salary 1851 in Black Creek,	200 00		
" 25,	To paid J. M. Springer's last half year's am't. for 1851,	62 50		
				363 0
Oct. 4,	To paid Rev. P. C. Edwards on acc't. of salary for 1851,			225 00
Nov. 6,	To " " " " " "	400 00		
" 10,	To paid J. C. Furman " " " "	525 94		
" "	To invested in the bond of Rev. Jas. C. Furman,	400 00		
				1,325 94
" "	" " " three State Bank Shares at $104,	312 00		
	To Treasurer's compensation for 1851,	100 00		
				412 00
" 18,	To paid Rev. H. W. Paslay's account, order by Convention to be paid, for expenses incident to sales of land, and removal of Library, &c. to Greenville,			504 65
" "	To paid Rev. Jas. C. Furman, balance of salary for 1850, as Prof. in Fur. Theo. Ins.,			199 94
" "	To paid Rev. Jas. S. Mims, Professor, on account of salary for 1851,			225 00
	To invested in bond of Rev. J. M. Timmons,			100 00
				$4,039 27

1851.	CR.			
Jan'ry. 1,	By balance brought from last account,	$395 73		
" 13, "	dividends on 10 shares R. R. and Bank Stock,	30 00		
" 14, "	cash from Welsh Neck Baptist Church, to pay for printing Miuutes of Convention for 1850,	5 00		
" "	By cash from Thos. P. Lide, G. H. Fountain's annuity for 1850,	5 00		
" 28, "	dividend on 12 shares State Bank Stock,	48 00		
				483 73
Feb'ry. 19, "	cash of Rev. H. A. Duncan, int. to 1st Jan., 1851,			14 00
April, 15, "	dividends from Columbia Bridge Stock,	30 75		
" 16, "	W. G. Barrett, one year's interest on his bond,	3 50		
" 19, "	Col. B. H. Brown, " " "	14 00		
				48 25
May 30, "	subscription of Saml. Gillison, deceased,			75 00
June 16, "	R. J. Davant, for int. on his bond to 1st Jan. '51,			28 24

1851.		CR.		
July 2,	By dividends on 15 shares State Bank Stock,	60 00		
" "	" " " So. Ca. R. R. and S. W. R. R. Bank,	21 25		
				81 25
Oct'r. 4,	" A. C. Smith, Treasurer Gen. Com. Charleston Baptist Association, being annual contribution to Fur. Theo. I st. for 1850,	200 00		
" 13,	" from Edgefield Bap. Association, by the hand of Rev. W. B. Johnson. for Bap. State Minutes,	7 02		
" " "	for Furman Theological Institution,	57 26		
				264 28
Nov'r. 6,	" " of Rev. H. D. Duncan, in full of int. to 1st January, 1852,	14 00		
" " "	" of Charleston Bap. Asso. for Furman Inst.,	74 74		
" " "	" from same, for Min. of Bap. State Convention,	10 50		
" 7,	" " Dr. W. B. Johnson, for int. on his bonds for '51,	35 00		
" 10,	" " John F. Wilson deceased's bond,	200 00		
" " "	" interest on do.	35 05		
" " "	" W. B. Heriot, 3 year's int. on his bond,	42 00		
" " "	" A. J. Lawton, int. on his bond for	35 00		
		444 29		
" " "	the following through the hands of Rev. Jas. C. Furman, viz. A. C. Smith's first instalment to Furman Inst. sub'n.	50 00		
	Dr. T. F. Furman's " "	50 00		
	Major W. S. Lyle's contribution to Fur. Univ.	100 00		
	Col. John Glenn's "	50 00		
	Mrs. N. E. Boyce's "	5 00		
	A. B. Woodruff's "	30 00		
	R. G. B. Woolley's "	15 00		
	Mrs. Hard 5, Miss Hard 5, "	10 00		
	Col. Richard Cannon's 1st instalment on his bond for Fur. Univ.,	10 00		
	Mrs. M. B. Taylor's 4th and 5th instalments on her subscription for 5 years,	10 00		
	Thos. Nelson, part of principal of bond, $400 00			
	Int on do. 150 94			
		550 94		
	J. F. Wilson's bond $50, int. on do. 10,	60 00		
	J. C. Furman's int. on bond due 1st May ult.,	35 00		
" 11,	By amt. one year's int. on bond of J. B. O'Neall, Trustee,	133 00		
	5 mos. int. on So. Bap. Pub. Society's bond,	32 18		
				165 18
" 15,	One year's int. on Dr. R. T. Mims' bond, per Rev. Dr. Johnson,			10 80
	From Reedy River Bap. Asso., per Rev. H. W. Paslay: for Foreign Missions $22 75, African Missions 37 cts.,			23 12
	For Furman Theological Institution,			8 68
	For Furman University,			15 50
	For Minutes of Bap. State Convention,			2 50
	Two year's int. on Rev. J. O. B. Dargan's bond,			7 00
	One year's int. on T. P. Lide's bond, for 1851,			14 00
	From Welsh Neck Bap. Asso. per E. J. Lide, Treasurer: for Furman Institution $267 50, So. Bap. Pub. Society $49 75,			317 25
" 17,	One year's int. on Rev. J. Nichols' bond, for '51,			3 50
	Two year's int. on A. E. McIver's bond, to 1st January, 1852,			14 00

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Nov'r. 17,	By amt. from Mrs. M. D. Mays, for Foreign Missions $10, for Domestic do. $10, per Rev. T. T. Hopkins,	20 00
	From Mrs. N. M. Caldwell, for Foreign Missions $5, per do.,	5 00
	Interest from Rev. J. M. Timmons, in full to 1st January, 1852,	119 00
	Interest from John Courtney, in full of principal and interest of bond, per J. M. Timmons,	128 00
	Interest from Rev. J. A. W. Thomas, one year's interest on his bond,	3 50
	From Broad River Baptist Association, for China Mission, per A. K. Durham,	20 00
	From Rev. H. W. Paslay, cash rec'd. on acc't. sales of land in Fairfield,	540 10
	Amount of collection on Lord's Day, at Convention, to be divided equally between Foreign and Domestic Missions and Education purposes,	51 60
	From Female Missionary and Education Society of 1st Baptist Church of Charleston, for Indian Missions $40, China Missions $20,	60 00
" 18,	Balance due Treasurer,	195 55
		$4,039 27

M. T. MENDENHALL, *Treasurer.*

☞ Received from Tyger River Baptist Association, for Foreign Missions, $101 00

The Committee on Accounts respectfully report, that they have examined the Treasurer's Report, and found it correct, and properly vouched.

T. P. LIDE, *Chairman.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE BIBLE SOCIETY

The South Carolina Baptist State Bible Society held its annual meeting on Monday evenixg, November 17, 1851, in the Welsh Neck Church at Society Hill, during the session of the Baptist State Convention. After prayer, the Society was called to order by the President, Rev. W. B. Johnson. On motion of bro. Culpeper, the Society went into the election of Officers, whereupon the following were elected:

W. B. Johnson, President; P. C. Edwards, Secretary and Treasurer; Dr. Paslay, J. O. B. Dargan, T. T. Hopkins, and J. M. Timmons, Vice Presidents.

Bro. Buck, of Kentucky, Corresponding Secretary and General Agent of the Bible Board, recently organized, being present, was invited to ad-

dress the Society, which he did very ably on the importance of the new organization.

The following amounts were then subscribed, and mostly paid:

Dr. M. T. Mendenhall paid	$ 5 00	Brough forward	$50 00
Alexander Sparks	10 00	C. B. Fort paid	50
R. G. Edwards $5 and wife E. C. Edwards 5	10 00	Wm. Jackson	25
		Dr. F. E. Wilson (paid $4)	5 00
B. W. Whilden	10 00	A friend	22
J. D. Wilson	5 00	Rev. Mr. Bealer	5 00
W. B. Johnson	5 00	Charlotte Kervin	25
J. E. Kervin	5 00	P. C. Edwards	5 00
	$50 00		$66 22

W. B. Johnson, for his membership last year and this, paid	2 00
J. M. Simmons, " " " " "	2 00
Edgefield Bap. Bible Society, through Dr. Johnson, "	8 00
J. Culpeper, for his membership, "	1 00
T. P. Lide, " "	1 00
L. Dupre, " "	1 00
	$81 22

Paid over to bro. Buck, of the above, November 18th, $74 97½.

P. C. EDWARDS, *Sec'y. and Treas'r.*

EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Immediately upon the adjournment of the Bible Society, the Education Society held its annual meeting. The President, Prof. J. S. Mims, being absent, Dr. Johnson was appointed President *pro tem.*, and P. C. Edwards to receive the subscriptions, of which the following is an account:

Dr. W. B. Johnson	$5 00	Brought forward	$40 00
N. L. Griffin	5 00	C. H. Judson	2 00
John Heriot	5 00	Charles B. Fort	50
J. R. Kendrick	5 00	Dr. M. T. Mendenhall	5 00
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J. F. Wilson $100, Mrs. E. L. Bacot 30,	130 00
Total amount collected in cash,	$531 00
To 192 days services at $3, $576,	576 00
Balance due me, 15th Nov'r., 1851,	$45 00

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Thos. P. Lide's " " "	10 00
For Domestic Missions,	504 64
Foreign Missions,	661 47¼
China Mission,	35 47
African Mission,	32 40
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